

HB108 T WASHBURN

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1. Fiscal Note may need revision

The need for cards may exceed the capacity of DOT contractors hours and days. Under MCA 61 -12-503 DOT may authorize agents of county govt to issue cards. In that case they will have to set up for the process.

If the state makes an ID card a requirement, it must provide them. If they are not generally available the state may be vulnerable to suit for lack of availability, even tho the cards may nominally be free of charge.

2. Cards valid for only 4 years.

That is one presidential or gubernatorial election cycle.

Older people in particular may move from drivers licenses to ID cards, and wold want to continue to vote. They don't move much until very late in life.

Drivers licenses are issued for 6 years.

3. Requires publication of voters dates of birth.

Courts require DOB and SS# on a separate confidential document to prevent ID theft. Legislature might want to coordinate with judiciary on this. Security measures meant to protect Montanans from ID theft could be defeated if DOB is generally published.

Proof of DOB could be provided to the ID card provider without any recording of DOB. All that is necessary is to validate the DOB for the issuance of the card.